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Docket No: Q74947 In re application of Yasuhide ODASHIMA, et al. Appln. No.: Based on PCT/JP2004/004289 Confirmation No.: Unknown Group Art Unit: Unknown Examiner: Unknown Filed: September 23, 2005 HORIZONTALLY CONTINUOUSLY CAST ROD OF ALUMINUM ALLOY AND For: METHOD AND EQUIPMENT FOR PRODUCING THE ROD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. TABLE OF CONTENTS AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS2

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